

If you have any business with Mr. William C. Bolton, President of the Rolton Drug Co., Brooklya, N. Y., you must elbow your way through a crowd of customurs, and you will find him working at a modest little desk in the rear of the long counters. A man who has fire large stores to look after must learn to do at least two things at once, and Mr. Bolton, whom a reporter found at the store, 264 Furton Street, continued to work as he talked.

"I have been in this business long enough to see many proprietary articles rise and fall," he said. "I have never stopped to analyze the

RICHMONDER IS MANAGER

Barley Kain to Take Charge of Wheeling Team.

LEAVES HERE NEXT MONTH

Has an Excellent Record as a Player and Manager Some Facts of Interest to Lovers of the Nn-

tional Sport.

No announcement in sporting circles re-cently has been received with more gen-uine pleasure than was the statement in the Times-Dispatch several days ago that Barley Kain, one of the bask known young mon in Richmond, has been appointed and employed for this seaon, as manager of the Whoeling, W. Va., base-ball team. On all sides the comment has been fa-vorable and the backers of the proposed team have been applauded for their wise selection.

selection.

Kain is too well known in Richmond to need any introduction to the public. At different times for the past ten years he has been seen in the capacity of a baseball infielder and his work has always been approved. Without question he is one of the fastest players ever turned but in this city.

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Kain has been on various local organizations for years, but recently he has played outside of the city almost entirely. Last year he had the Raleigh team in the North Carolina State League. He surrounded himself with a fast bunch of players and for a time put up a stiff scratch for the leadership.

The engagement of Kain as manager of the Wheeling team is a direct step in



BARLEY KAIN.

ment and Resolvent this year, and have as yet not heard one word of complaint the right direction and speaks well for his ability as a player and base-ball gen-eral. The aggregation will be in fast company, Wheeling being in the Central League, which stands along with the big Southern Association next only to the National and American League. He will leave Richmond next month. complaint
"I have no more interest in Cuticura than in other things we sell,
but since you ask my opinion, I
give it as freely on this subject as
I would on any other." f march, no charter could be secured un-

leave Richmond next month.

The following pertinent facts may prove of interest to the local base-ball loving public, for how many are aware that the largost score on record was made at Buffalo in 1869, when the Ningaras defeated the Columbians by a score of 209 to 10.

The mitt was first used for catching behind the bat by a player in Fall River, Mass., in 1875.

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That Jim O'Rourke, of Bridgeport, Conn. holds the record for longest service on the ball field, starting out in 1872 with the Mansfields, of Middletown, Conn., and having had continuous service ever sluce? That the first game of ball was played at the Elysian Fields, Hoboken, N. J., June 14, 1848, the Knickerbockers and New York, both of New York, being the contestants? ntestants?

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That in 1875 Boston won every game played on the home grounds, and lost but eight games during the season?

That the Boston National League Club is the only club in existence organized before 1871?

That Bobby Lowe, at that time with Boston, made four home runs in succession off Pitcher Chamberlain at Boston in 1894?

That Lajole was the first major leaguer to ge through an online season with a positive season with

ton in 1804?
That Lajoie was the first major leaguer to go through an entire season with a batting average of .400 or more?
That Thayer, of Harvard, invented the base-ball mask in 1876, getting the idea from a fencing mask?
That teams from Hartford and New Bedford played three games of nine innings each in three different cities in one day—N.*. Bedford, Taunton and Providence—July 4, 1878?
That William A. Cummings, of Ware, Mass., was the first pitcher to use a curve in delivering the ball to the batter?

Taking the official averages of the National League for 1901 and of the American League for 1902 as a basis, it will be found that the foul-strike rule did not play such an important part in the work of the 'swat 'artists. The dope on thirty players who were in National company last year, and in American society during the past season, show collective gains of 483 points and losses of 522 in the aggregate. Fourteen players in creased their batting averages over the 1901 mark, and five pitchers, who are recognized as the erratics of the sticking brigade, piled up 329 of the 472, leaving 143 points dividend to be distributed among the other nine. Ed. Delehanty, who was second in the National League in 1901, captured the slugging honors in the American. Such old-time good hustiers as Tom Daly, George Davis, Ed. McFarland, Elmer Flick, Bobby Wallace, Deacon McGuire and Topsy Hartsel cannot make any claim that the return to the old rule of straight strikes—no fouls to count—perceptibly cleared their batting eyes, for that squad lost a shunk of 362 points. One pitcher, Jack Townsend, monopolized nearly one-third of the total gain. No student of the dope wogazed at this winter's layout could put up much of an argument against the foliatrike rule as a factor in the shrinkage of batting averages. There are the figures for the two seasons: Taking the official averages of the Na

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WEST POINT AFFAIRS

Watermelon Out Last August Eaten

in February.

(Special to The Times-Dispetch.)

WEST POINT, VA., Feb. 28.—The most enjoyable event of the midwinter season was the birthday party of Miss Inez

son was the birthday party of Miss Inez Palmer at her home, in West Point. All ways popular, she drew around her a charming host of friends, and all express themselves as having had a delightful evening. The decorations of evergreens were tastefully arranged, and the refreshments were daintily and abundantly served. The young people spent the evening in conversation, dancing and games.

Mr. Archibald Cheatham, of Chesterfield county, has been staying at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. J. H. Gary, of West Point, for the past ton days. Mrs. Cheatham and little son is with him. He brought along a large pack of hounds, and fox huntling has been the order of the days. The sounds of hounds and horns are quite unusual in this section. This being a fact, it seems strange that the foxes are so shy and elude the hunters so successfully.

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The Tabard Inn Library is about to be established in West Point.

Mr. Robert Bowden, one of King and Queen's prominent citizens and successful truckers, cut a watermelon from the vine on August 8, 1802. The watermelon was eaten February 8, 1803, six menths old. It was in excellent condition. It weighed fifty pounds.

The Chesapsake Package Company is adding to its commedious buildings, in order that the work now being done in Baltimore may be done here. Employment will be given to many more men. The shooting of Hugh King, a young man from King William county, in the Capitol Square last week, in Richmond, has aroused the sympathy for his mother; and sister, who live near the courthouse, as well as for him. This trouble from the liquor curse, coming so near home, seems to have caused at least an "arrest of thought" in the county.

Owing to the terrible storm on the coast last week, fears were entertained for the gatety of two West Point boys, Willie McCanna and Willie George, who are employed on the Diamond Shoals Lightship. Their friends will be glad to know they are safe and sound.

Rev. James Long, pastor of Bruington Church, King and Queen, celebrated his birthday recently with the neighboring Baptlat preachers and their wives.

It is needless to say the occasion was a most enjoyable and admirable address before the Southern Seclety of New York lasf week, is a son of Dr. Jack Braaton, of King William county. That is what most enjoyable and admirable address before the Southern Seclety of New York lasf week, is a son of Dr. Jack Braaton, of King William county. That is what most enjoyable and admirable address before the Southern Seclety of New York lasf week, is a son of Dr. Jack Braaton, of King William county. That is what the proper at two weeks, making an effort to organize the county. She doubtless did valuable work, a full report of whip has not be

Shiden Ware, who has been with the friends.
Sheldon Ware, who has been with a railroad company in Norfolk, has been transferred to New York. His father and mother. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ware, have just returned from a farewell visit to him in Norfolk.

Mrs. Gibbs, from Philadelphia, whose husband was general manager of the Marsden factory before it burned, is visiting friends in West Point.

AT GREENWAY

Robert Bradley's Horses Will Show Up Well at Bennings.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RUTHVILLE, VA.: Feb. 23.—Green

way, the home of the well-known turfway, the home of the well-known turf-man, Robert Bradley, presents a lively appearance these days to the caller. It is on this farm that Mr. Bradley resides during the winter season, and it is here that his racing stable is kept from the time that he ships home from Bennings track in the fall until he leaves Greenway for that track for the spring meeting. The horses at Greenway are looking well, and are being corcised when weather permits, and when they leave for Bennings next month will be fit to race. Mr. Bradley has a beautiful lot of two-year-olds this season, and most of the horses brought back last fall are in fine condition.

The filly Ahala, by Aloha, dam Mrs. Stewart, gives great promise of being a time that he ships home from Bennings

The filly Ahala, by Alohs, dam Mrs. Stewart, gives great promise of being a race horse, and is entered for the American Derby at Chicago. Alum Water, Alile Virgle and Boney Boy are also in good shape. Mr. Bradley has a very handsome lot of weanlings, one Ro. Waddell II., full brother to Ro. Waddell, winner of the American Derby at Chicago in 1901, shows in his colt form a wonderful likeness to his great brother. The high bred stallion Hampshire, by Hanover, dam Spinnet, has been placed in the stud at Greenway.

Mr. Gus. Ingleiding, the well-known turfman, is the guest of Mr. Ro. Bradley, He is accompanied by his friend, Mr. Hutzler.

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\$5.50 for oak frame velour covered Couch; cost elsewhere,

\$18.50 for handsome oak frame the best fabrikoid; cost elsewhere, \$2.00.

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\$4.95 for White Enameled Bed; with elaborate brass trim-rning; cost elsewhere, \$8.00.

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OLD JEFF SHIELDS OF LEXINGTON

He Was a Member of General Stonewall Jackson's Colored Sunday Class. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., February 28.—The quaintest character of Lexington is "Uncle" Jeff Shields, the old negro who followed the stars and bars of the Confederacy during the Civil War, and who now attracts attention because of his claims as teing a member of General Stonewall Jackson's colored Sundayschool class in Lexington, and on occasions was cook during the war for Gen-eral Jackson.

Jefferson Shields was born in Lexins-ton August 25, 1825, and is therefore in



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Sead for Free Sample, corre power, Carre power, Changes in the family of Mr. James Edmondson, the thorough may be family of Mr. James Edmondson, father of the late Judge James K. Edmondson, He entered the Confederate service as cook for his young master, Jan. ct. K. Edmondson, who became coloned to the enterity of the Entry long master. Jan. ct. K. Edmondson, who became coloned to the propared meals for General Jackson, because Uncle Jeff was an excellent cook, and had served some years as such in the Lexington Hetel. He says that, on many occasions, while preparing food for his mess he frequently had to resort to appropriating whatever came of the Sunday-school conducted in the lecture room for the Lexington Presbyterian Church for the benefit of negro slaves provious to the Civil War, and says that of a professor at the Virginia Military Institute), he is the sole survivor, although there are other negroes in Lexington who there are other negroes in Lexington and the propared more and the father of the late Judge James K. Edmondson, He entered the Confederate service as cook for his young and the propared more for the tentive service as cook for his yo

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ton several years ago, at the reunion of the survivors of the Stonewall Brigade, he was elected a member of the brigade, and was, by vote, authorized to wear one of the brigade badges. He now frequently wears a suit of Confederate gray which was recently presented to him by the Daughters of the Confederacy at Wytheville. The suggestion came from Miss Lucy Les Hill, of Chicago, a daugh. ter of the lamented General A. P. Hill. Uncle Jeff belongs to that class of the old-time darkey now fast passing away. He has a rugged, honest, open face, and s highly respected and esteemed by the white people. As an infance of his good manners, a lady living in Lexington invited him to her home one evening that her guests, two young ladies from the North, might hear him tell some of his reminiscences of the lost cause. Clad in his Confederate gray, and decorated with numerous badges, the old darkey promptly appeared. Just as he was preparing to leave he was asked to put on his gentle hostess, with the greatest deference of tone and manner, he said: "Will you give me permission to put, on my hat in the house." I have been taught manners, and I know it is not politic to keep on my hat when talking to ladies, or when in the house."

Uncle Jeff belongs to the First Baptist Church, colored, of Lexington, and is one of the trustees of that church. white people. As an immance of his good

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The Fire May Prove a Bless. ing in Disguise.

FINE BUILDINGS TO GO UP

The New Water Works Tested and Prove Highly Satistactory-Danger of Such a Fire as Devastated the Town Will Not Again Occur.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BLACKSTONE, VA., February 28.bearly all the merchants who were burned out here in the big fire last week have secured new quarters of one sort or another, and have opened up again with renewed determination. Some of them will have to wait until buildings can be erectod, as there are not a sufficient number of vacant houses to supply all of them. Already preliminary plans are being made to rebuild at least a portion of the burned district. Dr. L. C. Tucker, who ewns the corner on Main and Broad . Streets, has already under advisement the erection of a very handsome hack build-ing with stone trimmings. The lower

Ing with stene trimmings. The lower floor to be a store-room, while the seriond floor is to be fitted up with offices for his own use.

Others are also expected to rebuild at mee, and when completed this new block is expected to be the finest in the town.

Mr. H. H. Seay, whose residence was surned on Friday night of last ween has also under consideration the erection of a handsome brick residence upon the vite of his recent dwelling. For the present, he and his family are occupying the new Baptist parsonage, which has

of members and friends who were present.

Farm, work is reported to be much delayed in this section arrows everal causes. The weather and the scarcity of labor are given as the chief reasons.

TOBACCO PLANTING.

It is said the low prices at which to bacco has been selling this season will cause less of it to be planted this year. Still, great preparations are being made by the burning of plant patches and the purchase of fertilizers. It romains to be seen what the result will be.

Already there is one announcement of a candidate for a county office under the new Constitution. This gentleman is Mr. E. F. Crowe, who has a card in the lecal paper this week announcing his candidacy for the treasurership.

Mr. Crowe has been the agent of the Norfolk and Western Ralirosd at this place for the past thirty years, and by his ever accommodating manner and strict attention to business is well thought of by his company and highly esteemed by overy one in this section.

While out driving with members of his family a few evenings ago, the little son of Mr. J. H. Tunstall fell from the vehicle and one of the wheels passed over the little fellow's head. At dirst it was feared a serious result would follow, but at last accounts the boy was doing very well and ne bad results were expected.

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NEW WATER WORKS.

The preliminary test of the new water works was made on Tuesday, and proved very satisfactory indeed. A more therough test is to be made as soon as the hose ordered by the town arrives, which is expected in about two weeks. The buse used on Tuesday was borrowed from Petersburg.

It is admitted that the test on Tuesday proved conclusively that had that much water been available at the recent big lire, it could have been just out when first discovered, or even later, when being communicated from one building to another.

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